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Monadnock Block (ILL-1027)

Structure

53 W. Jackson Blvd. at Dearborn St. Consists of two separate buildings constructed together, the Monadnock and the Kearsarge; now called collectively the Monadnock Block. Brick, 70' (five-bay front) x 200', sixteen stories, flat roof, battered exterior walls, projecting bays, chamfered corners. Notable as highest masonry wallbearing structure in Chicago (walls six feet thick at base). Built 1891; Burnham and Root, architects. Two

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sections, Katahdin and Wachusett Buildings, added to south in 1892, and now form part of Monadnock Block; Holabird and Roche, architects. Remodeled 1938; Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill, architects. Designated a Chicago Architectural Landmark 1958. 3 ext. photos (1963), 1 int. photo (1963), 5 photocopies of measured drawings (1964, including plans, elevations, sections, details); 7 data pages (1963); HABSI forms (1958, 1960).

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